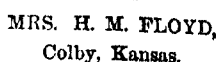


The Dowager Empress is the boss of all China.  
 Captain McCalla, Constructor Hobson and a Board of officers  
 agree that the Maria Teresa cannot be saved.  
 The Virden strike trouble was settled in Chicago yesterday.

lege. H. P. Grout, of Winchester, was elected president.

col. FORT HAMILTON, N. Y.—Maj. Gen. Graham, lately retired is seriously ill of a complication of typhoid fever and pneumonia.

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## SILENCE BROKEN

### Col. Billy Bryan Discusses the Election.

He Contends That Free Silver Is Yet an Issue and Must be Faced by the People.

LINCOLN, NEB., Nov. 15.—Col. W. J. Bryan last night gave to the Associated Press an interview relative to the late election. He said:

"While I do not understand that service in the volunteer army prevents a soldier from expressing opinions upon political questions, I declined to take part in the late campaign lest I should be accused by partisan opponents of attempting to embarrass the administration. Now that the election is over I shall exercise a citizen's privilege of discussing the returns."

"Compared with the election of 1896, the Republicans gained in some places, and lost in others. It was not a sweeping Republican victory. On the whole, the result is not surprising when it is remembered that the administration is just concluding a successful war. The people have not accepted the gold standard; they have not fallen in love with the plan to give banks a monopoly of the issue of paper money; they have not decided to retire greenbacks; they have not surrendered to the trusts."

"These questions were forced into the background by the declaration of war, but they must be faced again as soon as peace is restored."

"Neither can the election be regarded as an endorsement of any definite foreign policy. Until a treaty of peace has been entered into and the terms made known the people cannot pass judgment upon it. Whether the war will raise any question of sufficient importance to turn public attention away from domestic problems remains to be seen."

## ELKS MINSTRELS.

### Black Faced Event of the Season—75 People in the Cast.

The posters announcing the Elks minstrel performance on Thanksgiving evening were put up in the city this morning. They are of red, white and blue and are the most striking posters that have decorated the bill boards for some time.

The minstrels will undoubtedly be one of the best home talent performances ever given in the city. Arthur Gillespie and Alton Freeman with their specialties will be funnier than ever. The music will be supplied by the Goodman band, opera house orchestra and the mandolin club. The overture and opening chorus is the first about that has ever been put on in the city whether in local or professional companies. Mr. Keller has devoted three nights of the week since the musical began to this part of the program and the result is some of the finest chorus work ever heard in Decatur.

There will be a cake walk and innumerable local hits, songs, etc. It is the black faced event of the season. There are 75 people in the cast.

Socially it will be made much of. There are a number of theatre parties arranged among the young society people of the city and the boxes have been taken for a week.

## P. H. STEWART DEAD.

Father of Ex-Ald. W. H. Stewart of North Main St. rect.

Ex-Alderman Will H. Stewart, proprietor of the Decatur Concrete Works on North Main street, left this afternoon for Waggoner, Indian Territory, to attend the funeral of his father, P. H. Stewart, who died last night after brief illness. Mr. Stewart received the sad news by telegraph today. The deceased was well known in Decatur. He resided here from 1875 to 1887. He was the father of six children, but W. H. Stewart is the only child living.

## Red Ribbon Coffee Free.

The Red Ribbon coffee will be served at the grocery store of Schlie & Oiler from Wednesday morning until Saturday evening. Mrs. I. T. Wise, the administrator, makes the coffee by the drip process and will be pleased to have the housekeepers and lovers of good coffee visit her. The coffee is sold by the firm of Ross W. Weir of New York and is of pure Mocha and Java.

## Grocers' Meeting.

The regular meeting of the Retail Grocers' Association will be held at 114 East Main street, Thursday evening, Nov. 17. A full attendance is desired.

## Arrived Safely.

Marshal Mason telephoned this afternoon that he and the other officers had arrived safely at Chester with Charles Johnson, the negro who assaulted the sheriff, and the prisoners who were sentenced to the penitentiary.

## Hoy-Werner.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Werner have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Nellie Werner, and Charles D. Hoy on Wednesday evening, November 30, at 8 o'clock. The ceremony will occur at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Werner at 508 West North street.

## Beggars Arrested.

The police this afternoon arrested a drunken beggar who was annoying everyone who passed him on the streets. He asked persons for money and if they refused him he insulted them. When arrested he had three cents in his clothes. He was asked to give his name and in reply he said he was the meanest man that ever came down the pike and that was enough for the police to know about him. He was locked up in the city prison and he tried to slake down the bars of his cell.

## A. M. E. MINISTERS

### Still in Session in District Conference.

## SEVERAL CHURCH SUBJECTS

Were Discussed by Those in Attendance Today—Sermon by Rev. Sheen To-Night—Conference Closes To-Morrow.

The second day's session of the district conference of the Springfield district of the African Methodist church convened this morning at 9 o'clock at the A. M. E. church on Spring avenue, Elder A. J. Burton presiding. The subject of "Infant Baptism" was taken up and generally discussed by the ministers. Rev. Alexander Hoffman read a paper on the subject "The Layman's Influence in the Church." This afternoon Rev. C. W. Newton and Rev. R. J. M. Long were on the program to read papers. This evening there will be a sermon on the subject "Ministerial Greatness," by Rev. C. H. Sheen.

The following resolution was introduced by Rev. Lewis and was passed by the conference:

"Whereas, In the wisdom of Providence the bishop and conference at the last annual conference assigned Rev. Andrew J. Burton as presiding elder of the Springfield district of the Illinois annual conference of the A. M. E. church; therefore, be it

"Resolved, That we, the ministers of the district conference, do cordially welcome him as our presiding elder, pledging to him all of our ability and constant effort in co-operating with him in carrying forward to more successful issue the Redeemer's kingdom."

It was decided that there should be appointed a committee on ministers-institute. The committee appointed was composed of J. F. Watson, P. M. Lewis and C. H. Sheen. They made a report to the conference recommending that a ministerial institute be held some time in June, and suggesting that the place, exact date and program be arranged by a committee to be appointed for that purpose. Another session will be held tomorrow and the conference will close in the evening.

A reception will be given to the parents and children at the Pugh street school on Wednesday afternoon before Thanksgiving. The principal, Miss Marie McPherson and the teachers will receive. Refreshments will be served.

J. H. Rowland left for Ft. Scott, Kansas, on Sunday night in response to a telegram announcing the illness of his wife, who is the guest of relatives there. He writes to Decatur friends that Mrs. Rowland is very ill, but no fear is entertained of serious results.

Mrs. E. D. Laughman of Mechanicsburg was brought to St. Mary's hospital for treatment today. Dr. William Catto is the attending physician.

Mrs. Will Peters and Mrs. Walter Peters are the guests of friends at Mt. Pleasant.

Rev. M. Auer, of Fairmount, was in the city today. He was at Bunker Hill yesterday, called there to attend the funeral of his brother, John H. Auer, city clerk and librarian, who died suddenly of heart disease on Sunday morning. Rev. Auer's two sons, C. M. Auer, a graduate of the Decatur high school, and Edgar C. Auer, are in Honduras, both engaged in the rubber trade. Both are prosperous. Charles will continue his studies as a sketch artist and will go to Europe.

## To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Broom Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Showers of fish have repeatedly fallen in various quarters of the world.

The average weight of the male infant is 7 pounds; of the female, 6 1/2 pounds.

Lotteries originated in ancient Rome.

His daily prayer, far better understood in acts than words, was simply doing good.—Whittier.

## LEADERS MEET

### Illinois Republicans Assemble in Chicago.

It was a Love-Feast and Jubilee—State Committee—The Speakership Question.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Republican leaders from all parts of Illinois held a post election love feast and jubilee at the Great Northern yesterday. The festivities began with a meeting of the state committee after which many of the members-elect of the legislature met and discussed with the party managers the organization of the house and senate.

Governor Tanner came to the city early accompanied by Mrs. Tanner, and took an active part in the proceedings. He made a speech to the committee, congratulating the members on the result of the election, but would give out no interview to the press.

E. C. Curtis of Kankakee and Judge Sherman of McDonough, who will be the leading candidates for speaker before the Republican caucus, were present and practically opened their fight for the leadership of the house.

Speaker Curtis is not yet ready to announce himself as a candidate for re-election, but his friends are busy preparing to go to Springfield and make a hot fight for him. Governor Tanner, it is said, has not declared himself on the speakership question, but it is understood he will espouse the cause of either Curtis or Sherman. Charles E. Selby, who would have been the administration choice had he been elected, was on deck today.

## THE W. C. T. U.

Business Before the National Convention at St. Paul To-Day.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 16.—The W. C. T. U. national convention continued hearing reports from affiliated societies. The report from the railroad department showed much work among the railroad men. The executive committee report recommended the raising of the Willard memorial fund by voluntary contributions of \$2 from each member. Most of the national superintendents were re-elected. The department on securing homes for homeless children was dropped, and one on mothers' meetings added under Mrs. J. B. Hinton of Illinois. Dr. Mary Wood Allen of Michigan was made superintendent of the purity department. Mrs. H. V. Campbell of Wisconsin was made one of the organizers. Wisconsin was awarded the banner for the best temperance instruction. New Jersey the banner for the best temperance instruction books in the schools and Missouri the banner for the largest percentage increasing the Sunday school temperance work.

## MANAGER McMILLEN

Has Resigned His Position with Central Union Telephone Company.

Manager J. B. McMillen, of the Central Union Telephone company, has resigned his position and on the first of December will accept a position with the Oliver Type Writer company of St. Louis.

Mr. McMillen has held the position as manager of the telephone company for the past seven years with great credit to himself and the company. He accepts the new position because of the advantage financially.

## Williams Case.

The committee of the city council will finish the investigation of the charges against Street Superintendent Williams tomorrow. A meeting will be held at the city council rooms at 2 o'clock in the afternoon at which time the city controller will testify and the committee will come to some decision as to what shall be reported to the city council. The meeting tomorrow will wind up the business as far as the committee is concerned. The investigation has been strung out for a long time and recently the committee has not been able to hold a meeting on account of the fact that several of the members were out of the city.

Miss Laura Rhinehart and mother of Cisco, were in the city today.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel McConnell, of Orona, were in the city today.

R. G. Funk, of Layton, transacted business in Decatur today.

Miss Madge Walsley, of Bement, was the guest of Decatur friends today.

Miss Jennie Arnold, of Warrensburg, and the Misses Hanks and Stoughtenburgh, of Maroa, shopped in the city.

LOST—Strayed from the Hiram Johnson place near the Loxley plant, a three-year-old black mare, with white and black spots on her neck and hindquarters. Last seen near Walnut Grove Addition. If Nicholson, owner of mare, will pay reward for return of mare.

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100 very fine Carded Cotton at..... \$1.00  
75 pair all wool shrunk blankets, your choice, grey or white, at per pair..... \$2.50

50 pairs all wool California Blankets, very fine carded and shrunk, silk bound, either white or grey at..... \$3.50  
500 Heavy Bed Comforts for 75c, 98c \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50.  
200 extra fine grass bleached hemmed Sheets, size 24 yards by 24 yards, each..... 38c  
200 Pillow Cases, hemmed, bleached and shrunk, finished size 45x36 inches, each..... 10c  
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## EASTERN FARMERS.

### They Meet at Concord and Pass a String of Resolutions.

CONCORD, N. H., Nov. 16.—The National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, assembled here today. Master Aaron Jones, in an address, recommended the continuance of efforts for the enactment of postal savings bank laws, national pure food laws, an amendment to the anti-trust law; to prevent gambling in figures; to prevent public warehousemen from dealing in grain; to prevent the mixing of grades of grain; for the election of U. S. senators by popular vote; to secure the speedy construction of the Nicaraguan canal, and for the appropriation of \$1,000,000 annually for the extension of the rural free mail delivery.

## EVACUATION OF CUBA.

HAVANA, Nov. 16.—The joint session of the evacuation commission was held to-day. In order to complete the evacuation of the Province of Puerto Principe by Nov. 22, Gen. Blanco has sent four transports with capacity of five thousand troops to Neuviatas.

## FAVORS EXPANSION.

### Position of Master Workman Picks of the Knights of Labor.

CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Most of today's session of the Knights of Labor convention was devoted to reports of committees and that of General Master Workman Picks. Picks in his annual report took strong ground in opposition to the anti-expansion policy that President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor has held. Picks said we would not let any territory where our flag has been raised to go out of our possession under any pretext. Such territory should be made free and independent. Cheap labor should not be freed but educated up to our standard.

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Every time the Republican party wins a decisive victory some fellow jumps up to say that it will never win another victory. This is an old limit, however, which has been indulged in for 38 years. It does some fellows good to make such prediction, but the party of principle goes on winning victories just the same.

The New York Evening Post says: "The moral effect of the elections for the house of representatives is a severe rebuke of President McKinley, and especially of the expansion policy which he developed in the last week of the campaign." This is an odd deduction. President McKinley developed the expansion policy in the west, that policy received more attention on the stump and in the press in the west than it did in the east and the Republicans made large gains in the west. On the basis of the vote last Tuesday on state officers and congressmen, the president would have had a greater majority in the electoral college than he got in 1896. The president and his party can stand "rebukes" of this sort with a good deal of equanimity.

## WELL DONE, KANSAS.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: In the election of 1898 no state is more conspicuous than Kansas. The heartiest congratulations of the Republican party are due for decisive support at an important crisis. There was nothing half way about the triumph in Kansas. It was practically a clean sweep. A Republican plurality of 15,739 has taken the place of the Bryan plurality of 12,269. Republican state officers from governor down will succeed fusionists. The legislature is Republican on joint ballot. Beyond all this is a result of the highest national importance. Two years ago the Kansas Republicans elected but two of eight congressmen. This year five seats in a house so closely balanced is a matter of the first moment. Full control of all departments of the government hinged upon congressional gains in the west. Kansas leads all the states in this respect. No other state in the union gave the Republicans a gain of five members. Those that avoided losses are considered to have done well. Massachusetts lost two Republican members, Pennsylvania seven. Though Ohio doubled its plurality, its delegation remains numerically the same. Kansas is at the head of the Republican column in the extremely close but successful fight for the house.

## WAITING FOR AN ISSUE.

There is little said about free silver since the election by the free silverites for the reason that they do not know what they may be required to believe in 1900. If conditions prevailing since the election continue and there is no apparent or probable reason for a change, those Democrats who believed the country would become bankrupt unless we had free coinage of silver may have to believe some other fool dogma is necessary for the preservation of the country. Free silver was very catchy after it was adopted by the Chicago convention as an issue in 1896 and many a featherhead's wheel were set to running until his head was humming just as real as if the demagogues who set the music to fool the people were honest instead of engaged in setting up a scheme to catch the voters of the country.

These same demagogues are now deciding whether it will do to try free silver again as a bait to the unthinking or whether some other species of deception shall be tried on them. The chances are that free silver will be dropped as a means of getting votes and something else will be substituted. In the meantime those American citizens whose idea of liberty seems to be to put themselves into a state of mind to be deceived will be allowed to wait patiently until the campaigner comes around to stuff them with some other foolish dogma in the hope of winning the election upon a false issue.

## TARIFF AND CLOTHING.

Peoria Journal: The purchase of clothing for winter by the workingmen is a matter of great importance and some thought, but the fear so generally expressed at the time of the passage of the Dingley bill that the price of clothing would be greatly advanced have not been justified. Notwithstanding the increase of duty on woolen goods by the Dingley bill the American workman can buy a fashionable, handsome custom made suit of clothes, of excellent domestic made materials, for \$15, and an equally good ready made suit for \$10 and \$12 even in Broadway in New York, where rents are high and everything is supposed to be expensive. He also can buy fall suits in New York city at all the way from \$4 up, and when he reaches \$10 or \$12 he gets a pretty good thing. Four dollar suits are not so cheap, either as to material or

workmanship, but they are worth the money. Peoria prices are correspondingly low. When the tariff bill of 1890 was under consideration President McKinley created a sensation by pulling out of his desk a well made suit of clothes of fashionable and excellent material which he said had been bought at retail for \$10. It was rather startling at the time and Representative Leopold Morse of Boston, who was a clothing dealer, came across the hall of representatives and examined it very carefully, as to both material and the stitching. He confirmed Major McKinley's estimate of its quality, but declared that he could not make such clothes and sell them at that price with any profit. Whether he could do so at that time or not, Mr. Morse has sold thousands of suits of that quality at similar prices since then, and men's clothing is now cheaper in the United States than it is in Europe. The American buyer gets more for his money than any other buyer, and under the present tariff system this money is kept in the United States and goes to build up the great volume of domestic trade which is advancing the prosperity of the nation at such enormous strides and which in this manner directly or indirectly redounds to the advantage of every workman or capitalist in the United States. It is a clearly cut proof of the benefit of the Republican tariff system.

## STORIES OF THE STREET.

## Decatur People are Talking About It on Every Corner.

It is sometimes an easy matter to fool the public, but you can't keep it up very long. They are sure to find you out and every time a man is fooled, another skeptic is made. Skepticism is allowable when reading in a home newspaper about some incident occurring in California or San Francisco, but the circumstances are entirely different when it refers to some one right here at home, friends and neighbors, people you know, whom you can see and with whom you talk it over. This is the kind of evidence at the back of Dean's Kidney Pills—home statements by home people and the astonishing local work they have been doing has caused more talk among our citizens than the doings of any other modern wonder. Read the following:

Mrs. S. M. Trump, of 428 North Church Street, says: "My kidneys troubled me for ten years. I was treated by physicians and used proprietary medicines but for some reason I received little or no benefit. I had a constant dull, aching pain across my back, in fact, I ached all over my body so severely that it made me nervous. There was also a kidney weakness which was very annoying at times, as the kidney secretions were very irregular. In the Spring of 1897 I saw Dean's Kidney Pills advertised and especially recommended for my complaint. I obtained a box at a drug store and began using them at once. The first box did me so much good that I bought a second and I continued to improve right along. They benefited me in every way. You can refer to me at any time. I know of several lady friends of mine who have used Dean's Kidney Pills with the greatest benefit, and they will join me in praising this valuable remedy."

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The lungs of the average man contain about five quarts of air.

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After exposure, or when you feel a cold coming on, take a dose of Foley's Honey and Tar. It never fails. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krohn, W. H. Hubbard.

The largest mammoth tusk yet discovered was 16 feet.

The Bluejacket's Revenge.  
The unflinching good humor of the British bluejacket was shown the other day when a boat's load of A. D.'s from a man-of-war were landed for shore leave in a Cornish village. As they journeyed up the roadway to the second pub, a gentleman's wagonette passed, driven by a surly looking coachman, and one of the tars jumped on the step behind. "Git out there!" shouted the coachman, and being a churchful sort of fellow he lashed the sailor viciously across the face with his whip. That was enough! In an instant the other 11 blues had closed round and stopped the trap, the boat's mate in command. "Tention!" cried he, and "tention there was 'Dis-mount the gun!" he shouted, and it seemed as if every bluejacket carried a whole carpenter's outfit. In three minutes they had taken the wagonette into 172 pieces, and that without so much as scratching one bit of paint or losing one solitary screw. They laid them all out neatly on the stony road and the boat's mate, after inspecting the job, cried: "Good! Dismiss!"—London Sporting Times.

Empress Elizabeth's Great Fortune.  
The immense fortune of the late empress of Austria was absolutely at her own disposal, and it is understood that she left it among her daughters, the emperor having a life interest both in the various estates in lower Austria and in Hungary and in the bulk of her investments. There are generous legacies to members of the personal household of the empress and to her servants. The jewels are valued at 10,000,000 marks, and were the private property of the empress, quite apart from the imperial jewels, which were heirlooms. The great wealth of the empress was due to the vast rise in the value of property around Vienna forty years ago a considerable surplus from her majesty's income was regularly invested every few months in land, which was bought at its agricultural value. Now this land is covered with buildings and has been reared at a fabulous profit.—London World.

Costly Statue in Japan.  
The largest statue on earth is located at Kanakura, the ancient capital of Japan. This statue represents the deity Buddha, is made of gilded copper and covered with incrustations and jewels. Its eyes are of solid gold. The total height of the statue is 65 feet. In the interior of the statue there is a temple 40 feet high, with an altar and the necessities necessary for the cult of Sa-Kia Muni. The figure of Buddha is sitting on a cushion. The head is somewhat out of proportion for it measures 95 feet around. A man might walk upright into the slightly-opened mouth. The diameter of the eyes alone is four feet.—Chicago Chronicle.

Civilization at Omdurman.  
But Omdurman is not only to become the Sudanese Birmingham, it is to be a fashionable resort as well. An energetic society is already planning out a casino for the banks of the Blue Nile, with a cricket and football ground, and an aquarium for the crocodiles, while the inevitable public houses will soon be up at the street corners. To make the picture complete, the Salvation Army has, it is said, decided to send out a detachment to look after the morals of the freshly civilized. There will, of course, be an organized police force. Happy Sudanese!—Westminster Gazette.

## When He Goes.

"Does your husband ever go to church, Mrs. Dugger?"  
"Oh, yes, he goes quite regularly in the winter time."

"Why does he go in the winter time and not at other times?"  
"Well, you see, he generally has the quincy when the weather is raw and thinks he is going to die."—Chicago Evening News.

## A Matter of Profound Indifference.

The spectacled fisherman looked at his heavy string and then he looked at the ducky who sat on the fence idly swinging his heels.

"Sam," he called, "are you fond of perch?"

"Don't b'lieve I am, sah," said the colored brother. "When I grabs a chicken I don't pay no 'tention 'tall to de perch sah."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Asking Too Much.

Mr. Skinfint (toward the last)—When I die I want my funeral to be as unostentatious as possible—no flowers, no oration, no music. Do you understand?

Executor—Yes, sir. But I'm afraid I can't keep your relatives from setting off a few fireworks, sir.—N. Y. World.

## The Real Thing.

Artist—Remember that bit of woods on your farm I sketched last summer? Well, I sold the picture to one of my patrons for a thousand dollars.

Farmer Flays—Gee whizz! Say, what do you think he'd give me for the woods?—N. Y. Journal.

## A Stunning Blow.

"If you don't have me," he exclaimed, with unwonted passion, "I'll go to the dogs!"

"Not," she coldly returned, "if the dogs see you first."—Chicago Evening News.

## His Solution.

Willie was greatly puzzled as to why there should be a best man at a wedding. Finally to his own mind the problem was solved.

"It's so if the groom backs out there'll be some one to take his place."—Judge.

Detestable Wretch.  
She—To think that you are the same man who vowed once that he could love me to death!



No man has a right to marry a woman and make her his nurse during long years of continued ill-health. A sick man cannot be a good husband or a good provider, a successful business man or a useful citizen; a man had better be dead and done with it than to be a life-long invalid, a nuisance to everybody and especially to the woman whom he has vowed to love, honor and protect.

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Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures many serious diseases by promoting the causing of the causes. It braces up the weak and impaired stomach and restores the appetite. It invigorates the liver and all the secretory glands. It facilitates the flow of digestive juices. It makes the assimilation of the life-giving elements of the food absolutely perfect and thus enriches the blood. Disease germs are scavengers, and will not enter healthy blood or tissue. They must have the inert tissues of disease upon which to feed.

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"Eight years ago my husband coughed all the time," writes Mrs. M. J. Tedder, of Ellington, Reynolds Co., Mo. "Just as soon as he had finished a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and the 'Pleasant Pellets,' and says he feels better and stronger than ever before and weighs more. Everyone said he had consumption."

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Three { Columbia Forever.

Big { Vaudeville Carnival.

Review { McNulty & the Model.

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PRICES—25, 50 & 75c

Sale of seats Wednesday morning at Opera House Drug Store.



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While preparing for this contest amateurs can have free use of dark room and first class burnisher. All amateurs are solicited to call and get full particulars.

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## No one can show Lower Priced Coats than we have.

We have a Blue or Black, Velvet Collar, Farmer Satin lined Kersey at.....\$5.50

## You will be Astonished

when you see the Blue or Black, Farmer Satin lined, All Wool Kerseys that we sell at \$8.50. They are stylish, will wear well, and give great satisfaction. These are not shoddy, poorly made coats, mind you, but good ones.

We show you an All Wool Blue, Black or Brown Kersey Overcoat, silk velvet collar, Farmer satin lined, raw edges, lap seamed, guaranteed color; an overcoat well worth from \$12.50 to \$13.50. You are buying it cheap at \$10.00 our price.....\$10.00

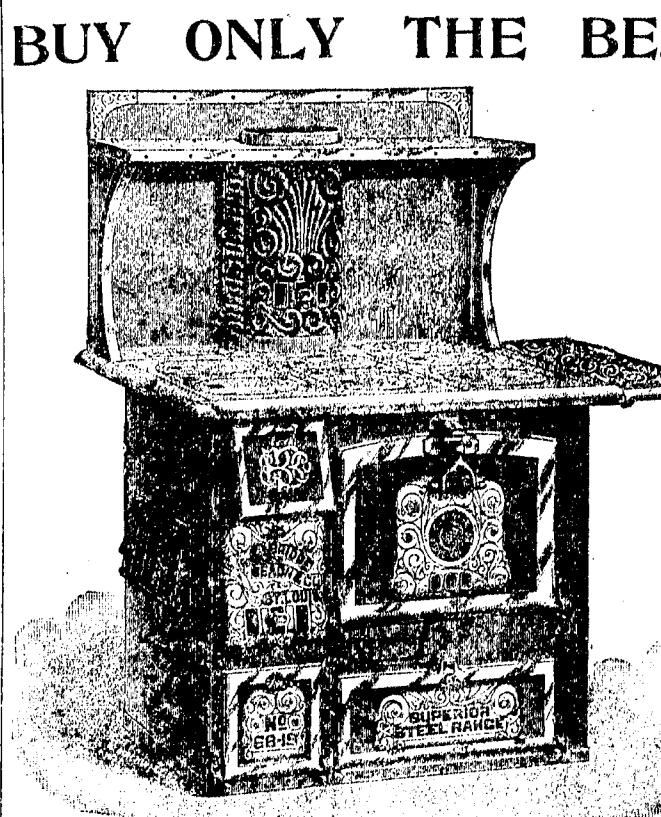
There are Coverts, Montagnacs, Chinchillas and Fine Kerseys at from.....\$10.00 to \$25.00

## A Suggestion.

By the way, there is a great demand this fall for stylish, strictly up-to-date Covert Coats. We have a big line now, but have tried to add to it and found that the market is empty. When these are gone, and they soon will be, there will be no more of the most fashionable kind to be had. Better come now.

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## STILL ON TRIAL

Case of Somers vs. Prater in Court.

## WILL OCCUPY ENTIRE DAY

Before the Suit is Brought to a Close

—Somers and Attorney

Brennan Testified.

The case of Somers vs. Prater

will occupy the entire day of today. This afternoon witnesses in the case were on the stand. The principal witnesses today were Somers, plaintiff, and Attorney Brennan, who drew up the papers to make the day. He testified that he didn't know anything about the note further than that he was the attorney who took judgment on the note.

The entries on the docket today were as follows:

## CHANCERY.

Augustus Stecher vs. Elizabeth et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved, cause heard and decree of foreclosure for \$168.22 and costs sale, etc.

Mary M. T. Randall vs. Hans Mieschelter et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved, cause heard, decree of foreclosure for \$958.16 and costs and sale, etc.

Adam Rozanski et al vs. Leonard Arnold et al; foreclosure. Master's report approved, cause heard and decree of foreclosure for \$638.43 costs and sale, etc.

Eliza Moore vs. James R. Smith et al; foreclosure. Decree pronounced defendants not answering and referred to master for proof and conclusion.

## COMMON LAW.

Charles M. Caldwell vs. James J. Caldwell; assumpsit. Continued by agreement.

## CATARRHAL DISCHARGE

The Source of Contagion in Yellow Fever.

That the scarlet fever continues to spread in the city is probably due to a great extent to the fact that it is generally understood that the disease is not passed until the patient has entirely recovered from the catarrhal condition which is also a feature of the fever. Dr. W. Wood, chairman of the board of health, said this morning that it was more generally known the case would be easier to control, long as there is the slightest discharge from the throat or nostrils, the disease is conveyed in this way more than at the scaling off period. Mothers keep the children in until the fever has abated and they are nearly well with the exception of a catarrhal discharge and they are allowed to mingle with other children with the impression that the danger of contagion is passed. The child is not allowed out until the throat and head are entirely healed.

## PERSONAL.

—Attorney James S. Baldwin returned from Illinois and New York where he had been on legal business.

—Attorney C. M. Borchers left today for Springfield, where he will attend the meeting of the grand jury of old fellows.

—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Moeller of Chicago last night to attend the Opera.

—John King, of Burlington, Ky. who has been the guest of his wife Mrs. A. W. Hawkins, left yesterday with his son, E. G. King, a son.

—Dr. and Mrs. M. Brandom and Mary Little left yesterday for Springfield, Ark., where they will visit with the family of Dr. Brandom's daughter, Mrs. Gray.

—Gay Scovill has returned from a western trip.

—Mrs. A. J. Roe, of Chicago, guest of Mrs. James Freeman of Taylorville, where she attended the funeral of Mrs. Goodrich.

—Joseph Remus has one to Peoria, to enter the employ of Teas freemasons and decorators.

—Dr. E. W. Moore has arrived home of his daughter at Clinton, Texas, where he will spend the winter.

—Mrs. James, of St. Louis, is visiting her son, R. E. James, making his home at the residence of D. A. Reame on North Church street.

## HOMER WEDDING

HOMER, ILL., Nov.

Charles B. Coffeen of Chicago and Miss Nellie Smith of this place married last evening at 8 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents.

## There is a Class of

who are injured by the use of coffee.

There has been a place in all the great cities a preparation called GRAIN-O.

This grain, that takes the place of the most delicate and aromatic coffee, and but few can tell from it does not cost over 4c as much. Chalk it with great benefit. 10c, at per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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Hanan & Sons' Women's \$5.00 Shoes,  
Turn Soles, at..... \$4.00  
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Welt Soles, at..... \$4.00  
Edwin C. Burt's Women's \$4.50 Shoes,  
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All Late Styles—Finest Vici Kid Lace—best Grade.  
We have a fine line of Women's Vici Kid Shoes, Lace and Button, British Last—one of the latest toes—broad on the ball—soft, nice stock—especially calculated to take the place of the old Common Sense last, for persons wanting comfort and good style—best \$3.00 grade now placed on sale at—  
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#### Kodak Days.

WINTER as well as summer holidays are Kodak days. Kodakery is no longer confined to the summer vacation; the Kodak now-a-days is a winter as well as a summer companion. The increased interest in flash-light photography has made it so.

Our line is the most complete in Central Illinois and we are the only firm in the city carrying the genuine Kodak. No camera is a Kodak unless made by Eastman Kodak Co.

We carry a large stock of sundries as well as other makes of cameras.  
Developing and printing done.  
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Lincoln Square.....

### LOCAL NEWS.

David's 15c delivery. Cab, 25c.

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar  
Pictures and Frames at Melcher's  
Art Store south of the Postoffice.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar,  
made by Jacob Koeck.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds  
of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22-dtf

Highest quality. Moderate price.  
Golden Rio package coffee.—15-dtf

Why send your money out of town,  
when we take your subscriptions at  
publishers' prices.

L. OGDON'S NEWS HOUSE.

Friday night the "Gay Masqueraders" will be the bill. A live lion is to be one of the features of the performance.

The best package coffee sold is Golden Rio. Try it.—15-dtf

Drying preparations simply develop dry catarrh; they dry up the secretions which adhere to the membrane and decompose, causing a far more serious trouble than the ordinary form of catarrh. Avoid all drying inhalants and use that which cleanses, soothes and heals. Ely's Cream Balm is such a remedy and will cure catarrh or cold in the head easily and pleasantly. A trial size will be mailed for 10 cents, large for 50 cents. All druggists keep it. Ely Brothers, 36 Warren Street, New York.

Call at the C. R. Prescott music house. You will be welcome. See the Chickering and Puckard pianos. They are the best instruments to be had.

Drink Golden Rio Coffee.—15-dtf

A class for Bible study will be organized in the First M. E. Sunday school next Sunday. The class will be composed of the young people of the church and will be in charge of Rev. Lyles of the Wesley chapel.

Queen Patent Flour  
95 cents per sack.

Bright yellow wrapped Golden Rio package coffee.—15-dtf

Word has been received by friends in Decatur from Dr. Harsha of Chicago, formerly of this city, that his elder son, who has been very ill of typhoid fever is worse, the complications which have developed making his recovery doubtful.

Thanksgiving Day.  
At Harrisburg on Thanksgiving day union services will be held at 10 a. m. at the Christian church. A sermon will be delivered by Rev. Miles, pastor of the Methodist church.

Foster Writes.  
Circuit Clerk D. L. Foster has received a letter from his son, George Foster, who states that the Decatur hunting party has arrived safely at Elmina, Ark., where they will hunt for a week.

Notice.  
All parties indebted to the undersigned whose accounts are more than six months old are hereby notified to make satisfactory settlement within the next 30 days. W. M. Cutler.—14-dtf

Five Per Cent Money.  
We have on hand a special fund to loan on first class real estate security at 5 per cent interest. Call at once. Foddecord, Burrows & Co.—31-dtf

Three New Cases.  
The cases of scarlet fever were reported at the office of City Clerk Hays. They were John Champion, 1411 East Leeland avenue, Emma Dugan, 565 North Stone street and Bruce Manning, 505 West Wood street.

Marriage Licenses.  
Paul Hartbank, Decatur, 23.  
Til to Lapascinski, Decatur, 16.  
John Clara, Decatur, 21.  
Annie McGonnigal, Decatur, 19.

Sales of Real Estate.  
James H. Parker to Allen Jones, a lot in J. H. Parker's addition to Maroon; consideration, \$150.

FLOUR. FLOUR. FLOUR.

95c Per Sack.  
Try a sack of QUEEN Patent Flour, guaranteed the equal to ANY spring wheat on the market.

For sale by:  
John Ray,  
John Robinson,  
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Fred Kipp,  
Schlie & Oehler,  
H. G. Meyer,  
F. Plummer,  
Howe Bros.  
J. G. Watson,  
D. H. Helman & Son,  
B. Schrele,  
Ed. Deetz,  
Drobisch Bros.  
J. W. Gannon,  
S. D. May,  
Wm. Niedermeyer,  
W. A. Wayne,  
T. T. Springer,  
Henry Meyer,  
G. M. Wadell,  
C. C. Kadcliff.

TEAMSTER HELD UP.

Footpads Attempted to Rob E. Roderick but Got Nothing.

Elmer Roderick, a teamster, who lives in the south part of the city, was held up last night. He had finished his work and was driving leisurely toward his home when three men stepped out and demanded his money. The robbers searched their victim but did not find anything and let him go. As a matter of fact, Roderick had some money with him, but he had his trousers in his boots and before he started home he had taken the precaution to also put his pocket book in his boots.

Foot Ball Games.

The members of the first high school team will go to Sullivan on Saturday to play foot ball with the Sullivan team.

At Maroon on the same day the El Paso and Maroon teams will play a game which is promised to be a good one. The El Paso team has not been defeated in the past three years and the Maroon team has never met defeat.

### WOMAN'S CARNIVAL BOARD

Clears \$19.78—Chief Gain is Experience for Next Year.

The members of the Woman's Carnival board met at the W. C. T. U. hall on Tuesday afternoon and the officers of the board read the reports. The reports were carefully itemized and were lengthy. The total receipts from the carnival were \$720.42. The total expenditures were \$700.64, leaving a balance of \$19.78.

The receipts were from the lunch counters, souvenir and fancy pins, autographs, souvenir pipes and thermometers, candy and ice cream, popcorn and peanuts, and the dining room, as follows:

Lunch counter No. 1.....	\$19.35.
Lunch counter No. 2.....	30.30
Souvenir pins.....	44.43
Souvenir pipes and thermometers.....	96.44
Commission on ice cream and candy sold in the building.....	30.13
Commission on peanuts and popcorn sold in the building.....	8.87
Incidentals.....	3.80
Dining Room.....	476.60
Autographs.....	10.50
Total.....	\$720.42

It is impossible to make a detailed statement of the expenditures. Of the \$700.64 \$282 was paid for decoration of the building. This included \$150 for labor hired in putting up the decorations. The cooks were paid \$65 and the balance of \$573.12 was paid out in sums ranging from 50 cents to over \$100, for bills connected with the kitchen and dining room. Over \$200 was paid out for provisions in the kitchen and the balance was for the rental of kitchen utensils, dishes, napkins, etc., for the dining rooms and other expenses connected with serving the dinner and supper and for the souvenir counters.

The souvenir pipes were ordered with the privilege of returning all not sold but the souvenir pins which were not sold were a loss.

The autographs were sold to Mr. Charles Hurst for \$10.50. The signature of Governor Elberts of South Carolina was received and it is supposed that Mr. Hurst will add this to the collection.

The ladies are well satisfied with the success of the carnival although they made practically nothing financially out of it. They feel that it has been a benefit to the city and county and they have at least assisted in demonstrating the possibilities of a carnival in Decatur. They want to heartily thank all those who through contributions of provisions, money, or labor assisted in making the carnival a success.

The \$19.78 will be equally divided between the Social Helpers of the Edward Street Christian church and the Charity board.

PLEASED A LARGE AUDIENCE

Rev. Reed Gives Interesting Description of Egypt.

Rev. Clarence Reed of Sullivan lectured at the Grace M. E. church last evening on "A Month in Egypt." To a large audience. Rev. Reed spent several months in the Holy Land and his descriptions of the antiquities of Egypt, his visit to Cairo and Alexandria and his ascent of the pyramid of Cheops were graphically given and much enjoyed by his hearers. Rev. Reed prophesies future greatness for Egypt.

The following young ladies acted as ushers: Mae Grindol, Maude Deel, Jennie Bell, Bertha Kincaid. Following the lecture a reception was given in the lecture room and the members of the Epworth League and all others who cared to stay were given an opportunity to meet the speaker. Pappage was served by Misses Corinne Shellbarger, Maude Deel and Grace Gillmore.

American Art.

The representatives of the "American Art Publishing House," Chicago, are in the city introducing to 50 representative families a new serial which they have recently compiled and which will appeal to every lover of art, literature and science, as well as being a work of reference and source of information. This firm is one of the greatest and best known in their line throughout the country and has the endorsement of prominent persons, banks, etc., as to their standing. The extraordinary inducements they now offer are well worth the consideration of all whom they visit and are the results of many years of experience and study.

AT THE GRAND.

BRIGHT AND LIVELY.

"The Gay Masqueraders," an attraction of special merit, will appear at the Powers Grand next Friday night, Nov. 18. The name of this company is a trade mark for novelty, free expenditures of money for cost, scenery and effects. This year special talent has been brought to bear to make the "Gay Masqueraders" the reigning triumph of the season in burlesque. If novelty counts for anything, it is positive to achieve its object. The costumes were all designed by artists specially selected for their taste in blending color and amalgamation. A picked company of pretty girls with good voices and valuable assistance to the principals, and the music is all bright, new and catchy. The performance commences with a first part, "Columbia Forever," and is followed by a very clever olio, including some of the best specialty artists of the day.

One of the most exciting and thrilling performers is "Adgie" and her den of lions; she enters the cage of these ferocious beasts and executes songs, dances and changes, just as calmly as though the lions were not present; an unguarded moment or a slip, would place her in imminent peril.

In Bad Condition.

A. B. Orange, a prominent farmer living near Moweaqua, on Tuesday night was found in an unconscious condition in the cow lot on his farm. He had gone to milk his cows and it was not known whether his condition was brought about by natural causes or an accident.

### HELD A RECEPTION

In Honor of Rev. W. H. Ruffner and Bride

AT HOME OF W. P. SHADE

Affair was Given by the Ladies of St. John's Episcopal Church—

Several Hundred

Attended.

The ladies of St. John's Episcopal church on Tuesday evening gave a reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Shade on East Wood street, the affair being in honor of the rector of the church, the Rev. H. W. Ruffner and bride, who were married at Quincy and recently returned home from their wedding trip.

The hours were from 8 until 10 o'clock and during that time several hundred persons called. The receiving party was composed of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Shade, Rev. and Mrs. Ruffner and Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Bishop. The handsome residence was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Plants of pink and white chrysanthemums were arranged in the reception hall and the stairway was decorated with the same flowers. Palms and other plants were arranged about the house. In the dining room where bread and butter, coffee, ice cream and cake were served, similar decorations were carried out. Mrs. J. W. Race and Mrs. Will Barnes presided at the table and the others who assisted in the dining room were Mrs. J. R. Race, Mrs. V. G. Hatch, Mrs. A. C. Race, Mrs. A. T. Summers, Mrs. Ed Carter, Miss Edith Carter and Miss Anna Walston. The frappe bowl was in charge of members of the Sanctuary chapter, Miss Byrle Dinges, Miss Ethel Scovill and Miss Mamie Howes.

The madolin orchestra was in attendance and rendered music throughout the evening. Other musical selections were given by Miss Louise Dainty, Miss Ella Basse, Veror Henschie of Blue Monad, Joe Gunwall and Miss Cozad.

FOR SHAKESPEARE DIVISION

Informal Reception Given by Officers at Mrs. Hostetler's.

The officers of the Shakespeare division of the Woman's club were "at home" to the division informally from 3 to 5 yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Minnie P. Hostetler of 311 West Macon street, the chairman of the division.

The rooms of the house were simply but tastefully decorated with palms, potted plants and cut flowers. A tea table daintily set with china bearing the club emblem, a clover leaf, was set in the south parlor and the light refreshments of chocolate, wafers, salted nuts and confectionery, of yellow and white, the club colors, were dispensed to the guests by the officers of the division in turn. The guests were met at the door by Little Miss Ruth Hostetler.

The officers of the division are Mrs. Minnie P. Hostetler chairman, Mrs. J. C. Badenhausen vice chairman, Miss Lillian Cornum secretary and Mrs. D. C. Corley director.

Mrs. Ida W. Baker, president of the club, and Mrs. W. F. Gillmore were guests of the division. The division will take up the regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon. The study of parliamentary rules will begin at this meeting.

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### AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHY

On Display at Neisler's Tuesday.

Brugh Werner Wins Grand Prize.

The display of amateur photography at Neisler's drug store on Tuesday afternoon and evening attracted a large crowd of admirers of this branch of art. The work displayed was very creditable and showed originality, skill and talent. The subjects were varied, landscapes and portraits predominating. The figure work was especially fine. Under the rules of the contest each person was required to finish the work exhibited and professional finishers were barred. In passing on the exhibits, composition or pictorial effect, chemical effect and lighting were the points considered. The judges were J. E. Berning, L. E. Foster, S. O. Jenkins of Maroon, C. J. Van Doven, J. H. Hawes, O. L. Milburn, Chenoweth Lefforge.

The prizes were awarded as follows: Grand prize, Grand Premio B Camera, valued at \$20—Brugh Werner.

First prize, a 4x5 Sunart camera—Robert Faries.

Second prize, Automatic tripod—Will Peters.

Third prize dark room lamp—Will Coonrad.

In the popular prize contest decided by a vote of the visitors, the first prize was won by Jay Montgomery, who got 37 votes. The prize was a \$3 album.

The second prize, a gross of 4x5 azo paper, was won by Miss Oshenshain, who received 18 votes.

There were 25 exhibitors in all. A part of this number were not entered for contest but for display only. The work generally was considered superior to the work of last year and much interest and enthusiasm was displayed among the amateur photographers and the matter of giving a display once a month was talked of.

CAMERA CLUB.

During the day James Stafford circulated the following agreement:

"We, the undersigned, believing that the exchange of ideas between the amateur photographers of Decatur would be for the benefit of all and that such exchange is best promoted by a camera club here assert our willingness and desire to become members of such a club."

The agreement was signed by Dorothy Oshenshain, George E. Barney, L. E. Foster, J. K. Stedee, Robert Faries, S. Bommerbach, Mrs. J. A. Davidson, Mrs. Frank Rhodes, Will Eberly, Brugh Werner, Frank McDavid, K. H. Roby, Jr., S. R. Waldorf, William Martin, E. R. Baker, E. R. Baker, F. P. Wells, Mrs. George R. Fisk, L. A. Mills, W. A. Smith, Ben Hoffman, W. A. Downey, Will Coonrad, Frank H. Palmer, A. F. Wilson, Merle Cobb, C. C. Curtis.

A meeting will be called and the club organized.

TO THE PENITENTIARY.

Johnson and Three Others Taken to Chester.

Charles Johnson, the negro prisoner, who assaulted Sheriff Nicholson in the county jail several days ago, was taken to the penitentiary this morning. Johnson for a day or two refused to eat the food that was given him but hunger was too much for him and he decided that it would be better for him to eat his meals. He is a desperate prisoner and precautions were taken to avoid his giving the deputies any trouble on the way to the penitentiary. Deputy Cass Nichol, Chief Mason and Officer Oscar Cox took Johnson to Chester together with three other prisoners, who were sentenced, Ike Russell, Wellington and Durham.

Bill for Divorce.

Through her attorney, E. S. Parks, Emily J. Gowen has filed in the office of the circuit clerk a bill asking for a divorce from her husband, Richard J. Gowen. The bill states that the couple were married September 9, 1890, and lived together until October 29, 1897. The petitioner states that soon after the marriage her husband began the use of intoxicating liquor and has been drunk most of the time since then. She also asks for the custody of the one child.

With Eagle Pencil Company.

Leslie Bevan has returned home from New York city, where he has been for the past six weeks. He is now connected with the Eagle Pencil company of that city and will leave Wednesday for St. Louis in the interest of the firm.

Born.

To Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rorch of 17 West Marietta street on Tuesday, November 15, a son. The mother is a native of Jack Famine.

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